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January 22 & 23, 2022

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Mass Schedule

St. John's Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am
Thursday: 5:30 pm
St. Aloysius Sunday 8:00 am
Wednesday 5:30 pm

Weddings

Please make arrangements with
the pastor eight months in advance.

Baptisms

Please make arrangements by contacting
the office at 937-2017.

Funerals

Please make arrangements with the pas-
tor or with the funeral director.



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.
- Lk 4:18*

MASS Intentions

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Saturday, January 22, 2022 @ 5:00 P.M. at St John the Baptist Catholic Church
The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

In memory of: *Maxine Brown **Lector:** George Hopkins
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Janie Wangler **Server:** Will Scales

Sunday, January 23, 2022 @ 8:00 A.M. at St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart Church
The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Memory of: *Clem & Carla Bogdajewicz **Lector:** Shirley Jones
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Joe Blazine

Sunday, January 23, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

In honor of: * St. John the Baptist Parish Family **Lector:** Kay Levanti
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Kelly McCord **Server:** Ben McCord

Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart 5:30 P.M.
Wednesday of the 3rd week in Ordinary Time

In memory of: James Leposky by Tom and Janet Leposky

Thursday, January 27, 2022 @ 5:30 P.M. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
Thursday of the 3rd week in Ordinary Time

In memory of: Frank & Mary Lou Sakonyi

Friday, January 28, 2022 @ 8:30 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church

In honor of: St. John the Baptist School

Saturday, January 29, 2022 @ 5:00 P.M. at St. John the Baptist Church
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In memory of: * Lillian Martin **Lector:** Michael Scales
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Jim Wangler **Server:** Will Scales

Sunday, January 30, 2022 @ 8:00 A.M. St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart Church
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In memory of: *Janicek & Yankee Family **Lector:** Van Nix
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Ellis Claussen

Sunday, January 30, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M. St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In honor of: * Catholic Schools **Lector:** Grades 5-7
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Kelly McCord **Giftbearer:** Ben McCord



Our Gifts to God

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church January 15 & 16, 2022

St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart Catholic Church January 16,

Envelopes.....	\$1,875.00
Loose.....	\$95.00
School	\$710.00
Special Collections/Other.....	\$16.00
<u>Total.....</u>	<u>\$2,696.00</u>

Envelopes.....	\$926.00
Loose.....	\$0.00
Special Collections/Other.....	\$0.00
<u>Total.....</u>	<u>\$926.00</u>

School & Church Upcoming Events

- Saturday, January 22, 2022: 5:00 St. John the Baptist
- Sunday, January 23, 2022: 8:00: Mass at St. Aloysius/Sacred Heart
- Sunday, January 23, 2022: 10:00: Mass at St. John the Baptist
- Monday, January 24, 2022: 5:30: PSR Confirmation Class Remote
- Tuesday, January 25, 2022: A.M. Camp Ondessonk presentation.
: PSR 3rd Grade and K. Remote
- Wednesday, January 26: 7:00 St Bernadette's Monthly Meeting **Cancelled**
: PSR First Communion class. Remote
- Friday, January 28: 8:30 School Mass St Thomas Aquinas Memorial
- Sunday, January 30: 10:00: Mass at St. John's/Catholic Schools Week opening Mass.
- Monday, January 31: Catholic Schools Week. Celebrating Our Community
PSR: Confirmation Class: remote
- Tuesday, February 1: Catholic Schools Week. Celebrating Our Students
PSR: 3rd Grade & K. remote
- Wednesday, February 2: Catholic Schools Week. Celebrating our Nation.
100th Day of School!
PSR. First Communion Class: Remote
- Thursday, February 3; Catholic Schools Weeks: Celebrating Vocations.
Parents Association Meeting 7:00 Zoom.
- Friday, February 4: Catholic Schools Week: Celebrating Administrators, Teachers and Volunteers.
Mass: 8:30 A.M. 5th-6th grade lead
No Bus

Please pray for our sick:

- Virginia Calonne
 - David Dobill
 - Carolyn Freeman
 - June Glenski
 - Billy Glodich
 - Mark Glodich
 - Delores Grosco
 - Karen Jamrozek
 - Jonny King
 - Dale Krepel
 - Jeanie Kretz
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 - Dick McPhail
 - Fr. Urban Osuji. C.M.
- Mary Snider
Bernard Mbidoaka
Peter Popit
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Jim Wangler
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January 25, 2022
Topic: " Eucharist"
Presented by Sr. Laura & Fr. Urban

RCIA Rite of Christian
Initiation for Adults



Our Sanctuary Candle for the month of January is in memory of:

All faithful departed parishioners of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest In Peace

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to Fr. Eusebius on Tuesday, January 25th! Let's pray for God's blessings upon him!

St. Bernadette's

Due to high COVID numbers in the area, the ladies have canceled their January 26th meeting. Next meeting is scheduled for February 23rd at 7:00.

Mass Intentions

In this new year, we have many openings for your mass intentions. Mass intentions are \$10.00. It is easy to reserve a mass for your loved ones or the poor souls in Purgatory. Just put the money in an envelope, write who the mass is for and put it in the offertory plate. If you have a specific date, write that on the envelope. If you don't have a specific date, one will be chosen for you.

Correction from last week

In our thank you to the people who helped set up and take down the Christmas decorations, we omitted Bill & Kay Levanti, Kelly McCord, Bryce Levanti and Ben McCord. Our sincere apologies!

Sanctuary Candles

We have several months of the year that are open for Sanctuary Candles. The following candles are available: February, June, July, and August. The are \$35.00. Just put a note in an envelope telling us who you would like to honor and put it in the offering plate. We will get it scheduled.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 23, 2022 The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

Readings for the week of Jan 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

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Observances for the week of Jan.23, 2022

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time;
St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr;
St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

Monday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Wednesday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

Thursday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin

Friday: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

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